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WORLD SUGAR TRADE SHOWS

LITTLE CHANGE; MOLASSES UP

World sugar trade in 1966 showed little change from that of 1965. Exports were recorded at 20.0 million short tons, raw value, while imports were recorded at 21 million short tons. In 1965, exports of 21.2 million short tons were 1 million short tons above imports. On a metric-ton basis, exports amounted to 18.1 million tons in 1966, while imports amounted to 19.0 million. The lag time in shipping probably explains most of the difference between imports and exports.

North America was the largest exporter of sugar in 1966, accounting for 37 percent of the total. By country, Cuba again ranked first by far, with 4.9 million short tons. The only other countries exporting more than 1 million tons in 1966 were Australia, Brazil, and the Philippines. Communist countries were net exporters in the amount of 4.2 million short tons. If Cuba were excluded, these countries would have been net importers of 700,000 short tons.

Asia was the largest importer of sugar last year, accounting for 25 percent of the total. North America and Western Europe each imported almost as much as Asia. The United States remained by far the largest importer, taking 10 percent more than in 1965. The United Kingdom was second, and the Soviet Union was third. Russian imports declined from 2.5 million short tons in 1965 to 2.0 million in 1966; exports increased, so that on a net-import basis only 750,000 short tons were imported in 1966, compared with 1,723,000 in 1965.

World trade in industrial molasses continued its upward trend in 1966 and was substantially above that of 1965. The increase over 1965 was about 11 percent. Significant increases in exports of molasses were recorded for Cuba, Peru, the Republic of South Africa, India, Indonesia, and Australia.

SUGAR, CENTRIFUGAL, RAW VALUE: International trade, average 1960-64, annual 1965 and 1966

Continent and country	Average 1960-64		1965		1966 1/	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons
North America:						
British Honduras.....	27	2/	34	1	48	1
Canada.....	19	789	20	924	18	862
Costa Rica.....	32	2/	42	2/	73	2/
El Salvador.....	18	2/	16	2/	49	0
Guatemala.....	31	2/	35	2/	65	0
Honduras.....	1	5	0	4	0	2/
Mexico.....	512	2/	581	2/	527	2/
Nicaragua.....	43	2/	53	1	19	2
Panama.....	8	2/	17	0	13	0
United States.....	5	4,337	3	3,856	3	4,239
Caribbean:						
Antigua.....	23	0	13	2/	8	2/
Barbados.....	161	2/	178	2/	187	2/
Cuba.....	5,483	0	5,859	0	4,888	0
Dominican Republic.....	872	2/	591	0	612	0
Guadeloupe.....	178	0	198	0	178	0
Haiti.....	36	0	23	0	26	0
Jamaica.....	431	0	475	0	457	0
Martinique.....	79	0	68	0	49	0
Netherlands Antilles.....	0	7	0	7	0	7
St. Kitts.....	46	0	40	2/	38	2/
Trinidad and Tobago.....	214	2/	238	2/	184	2/
Other 3/.....	1	9	0	10	0	10
Total North America....	8,220	5,147	8,484	4,803	7,442	5,121
South America:						
Argentina.....	154	0	71	0	164	0
Bolivia.....	0	17	4	2/	9	0
Brazil.....	613	0	841	0	1,107	0
Chile.....	0	203	0	230	0	219
Colombia.....	43	2	119	0	133	0
Ecuador.....	47	3	73	2	67	2
Guyana.....	323	1	349	2/	312	2/
Paraguay.....	3	0	1	0	2/	0
Peru.....	548	2/	403	2/	467	2/
Uruguay.....	0	66	0	44	0	69
Venezuela.....	12	0	3	2/	28	2/
Other 3/.....	3	2/	9	2/	9	2/
Total South America....	1,746	292	1,873	276	2,296	290
Europe:						
Austria.....	2	24	2/	1	2/	3
Belgium and Luxembourg....	106	54	133	4	98	52
Denmark.....	67	20	80	22	41	38
Finland.....	0	170	0	150	0	199
France.....	820	551	1,093	480	859	561
Germany, West.....	22	157	2/	268	1	348
Greece.....	0	122	0	40	0	54
Iceland.....	0	11	0	12	0	12
Ireland.....	21	48	12	50	20	112
Italy.....	3	215	2/	389	2/	162
Malta.....	0	15	0	20	0	20
Netherlands.....	48	212	13	162	9	153
Norway.....	0	171	0	202	0	198
Portugal.....	0	174	0	176	0	187
Spain 4/.....	3	148	2/	158	2/	226
Sweden.....	0	77	4	77	10	156
Switzerland.....	4	252	4	288	4	260
United Kingdom.....	476	2,584	362	2,398	363	2,455
Total West Europe.....	1,572	5,005	1,701	4,897	1,405	5,196
Bulgaria.....	55	142	10	185	0	174
Czechoslovakia.....	467	83	615	231	390	290
Germany, East.....	263	181	113	187	91	228
Hungary.....	138	0	88	0	74	0
Poland.....	574	154	521	0	362	58
Romania.....	166	31	41	0	66	0
Yugoslavia.....	41	128	0	115	3	303
Total East Europe.....	1,704	719	1,388	718	986	1,053
Total Europe.....	3,276	5,724	3,089	5,615	2,391	6,249
USSR (Europe and Asia).....	645	2,387	805	2,528	1,282	2,032

SUGAR, CENTRIFUGAL, RAW VALUE: International trade, average 1960-64, annual 1965 and 1966 (continued)

Continent and country	Average 1960-64		1965		1966 1/	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons
Africa:						
Algeria.....	0	251	0	287	0	299
Angola.....	37	0	37	0	30	0
Ethiopia 5/.....	5	2	1	5	2/	22
Ghana.....	0	61	0	67	0	77
Kenya.....	2/	33	2/	88	2/	121
Liberia.....	0	3	0	4	0	4
Libya.....	0	29	0	21	0	52
Malagasy Republic.....	61	2/	39	2/	99	2/
Mauritius.....	551	0	638	0	629	0
Morocco.....	11	380	9	411	6	375
Mozambique.....	126	2/	105	0	127	0
Nigeria.....	0	70	0	116	0	75
Reunion.....	222	0	224	0	244	0
Rhodesia.....	6/ 29	6/ 33	311	2/	72	0
Sierra Leone.....	0	18	0	25	0	28
Somali Republic.....	0	13	0	7	0	0
South Africa, Republic of:	486	14	1/ 413	1/ 108	1/ 582	1/ 7
Sudan.....	0	140	0	220	0	158
Tanzania.....	2/	19	2/	2/	2/	2/
Togo.....	0	5	0	4	0	9
Tunisia.....	0	95	0	71	15	74
Uganda.....	36	2/	21	2/	2/	21
United Arab Republic.....	50	75	17	48	0	154
Other 3/.....	14	274	156	341	33	340
Total Africa.....	1,628	1,515	1,971	1,823	1,837	1,816
Asia:						
Aden.....	25	49	19	71	6	53
Afghanistan.....	0	44	0	31	0	104
Burma.....	0	22	0	45	0	50
Ceylon.....	0	220	0	193	0	367
China, Mainland.....	256	852	471	439	550	683
Taiwan.....	845	0	920	0	939	0
Cyprus.....	0	15	0	19	0	18
Hong Kong.....	43	195	27	190	23	261
India.....	326	0	298	0	488	0
Indonesia.....	65	0	82	0	58	40
Iran.....	8/ 0	8/ 371	8/ 0	8/ 362	0	223
Iraq.....	0	225	0	341	0	277
Israel.....	0	78	0	84	0	83
Japan.....	13	1,573	5	1,902	13	1,917
Jordan.....	0	50	0	83	0	100
Korea, South.....	0	57	0	44	0	95
Lebanon.....	0	43	1	94	1	56
Malaysia and Singapore.....	30	301	20	343	38	441
Pakistan.....	0	61	0	29	0	23
Philippines.....	1,174	0	1,195	0	1,106	0
Syria.....	0	77	0	88	0	77
Thailand.....	33	2/	92	2/	55	2/
Turkey (Europe and Asia).....	183	0	97	0	36	0
Vietnam, South.....	0	54	0	78	0	133
Other 3/.....	59	218	59	541	5	287
Total Asia.....	3,052	4,505	3,286	4,977	3,318	5,288
Oceania:						
Australia.....	1,142	0	1,317	0	1,168	0
Fiji.....	255	2/	342	2/	271	2/
New Zealand.....	2/	142	2/	134	2/	159
Other 3/.....	0	18	0	19	0	22
Total Oceania.....	1,397	160	1,659	153	1,439	181
Total world.....	19,964	19,730	21,167	20,175	20,005	20,977
U.S. Offshore Trade.....	2/ 6	1,928	2/ 2	1,972	2/ 2	1,919
Puerto Rico.....	890	2/ 3	830	2/ 2/	712	2/ 2/
Hawaii.....	1,024	0	1,138	0	1,202	0
Virgin Islands.....	13	2/ 1	4	2/ 1	5	2/ 1
Guam.....	0	2/ 1	0	2/ 1	0	2/ 1
Total.....	1,933	1,933	1,974	1,974	1,921	1,921

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SUGAR, CENTRIFUGAL, RAW VALUE: International trade, average 1960-64, annual 1965 and 1966

Continent and country	Average 1960-64		1965		1966 1/	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons
North America:						
British Honduras.....	24	2/	31	1	44	1
Canada.....	17	716	18	838	16	782
Costa Rica.....	29	2/	38	2/	66	2/
El Salvador.....	16	2/	15	2/	44	0
Guatemala.....	28	2/	32	2/	59	0
Honduras.....	1	5	0	1	0	2/
Mexico.....	464	2/	527	2/	478	2/
Nicaragua.....	39	2/	48	1	17	2
Panama.....	7	2/	15	0	12	0
United States.....	5	3,934	3	3,498	3	3,846
Caribbean:						
Antigua.....	21	0	12	2/	7	2/
Barbados.....	146	2/	161	2/	170	2/
Cuba.....	4,974	0	5,315	0	4,434	0
Dominican Republic.....	791	2/	536	0	555	0
Guadeloupe.....	161	0	180	0	161	0
Haiti.....	33	0	21	0	24	0
Jamaica.....	391	0	431	0	415	0
Martinique.....	72	0	62	0	44	0
Netherlands Antilles.....	0	6	0	6	0	6
St. Kitts.....	42	0	36	2/	34	2/
Trinidad and Tobago.....	194	2/	216	2/	167	2/
Other 3/.....	1	8	0	9	0	9
Total North America....	7,456	4,669	7,697	4,357	6,750	4,646
South America:						
Argentina.....	140	0	64	0	149	0
Bolivia.....	0	15	4	2/	8	0
Brazil.....	556	0	763	0	1,004	0
Chile.....	0	184	0	209	0	199
Colombia.....	39	2	108	0	121	0
Ecuador.....	43	3	66	2	61	2
Guyana.....	293	1	317	2/	283	2/
Paraguay.....	3	0	1	0	2/	0
Peru.....	497	2/	366	2/	424	2/
Uruguay.....	0	60	0	40	0	62
Venezuela.....	11	0	3	2/	25	2/
Other 3/.....	3	2/	8	2/	8	2/
Total South America....	1,585	265	1,700	251	2,083	263
Europe:						
Austria.....	2	22	2/	1	2/	3
Belgium and Luxembourg....	96	49	121	4	89	47
Denmark.....	61	18	72	20	37	34
Finland.....	0	154	0	136	0	180
France.....	744	500	991	435	779	509
Germany, West.....	20	142	2/	243	1	316
Greece.....	0	111	0	36	0	49
Iceland.....	0	10	0	11	0	11
Ireland.....	19	43	11	45	18	102
Italy.....	3	195	2/	353	2/	147
Malta.....	0	14	0	18	0	18
Netherlands.....	44	192	12	147	8	139
Norway.....	0	155	0	183	0	180
Portugal.....	0	158	0	160	0	170
Spain 4/.....	3	134	2/	143	2/	205
Sweden.....	0	70	4	70	9	141
Switzerland.....	4	229	4	261	4	236
United Kingdom.....	432	2,344	328	2,175	329	2,227
Total West Europe.....	1,428	4,540	1,543	4,441	1,274	4,714
Bulgaria.....	50	129	9	168	0	158
Czechoslovakia.....	424	75	558	209	354	263
Germany, East.....	239	164	102	170	82	207
Hungary.....	125	0	80	0	67	0
Poland.....	521	140	473	0	328	52
Romania.....	150	28	37	0	60	0
Yugoslavia.....	37	116	0	104	3	275
Total East Europe.....	1,546	652	1,259	651	894	955
Total Europe.....	2,974	5,192	2,802	5,092	2,168	5,669
USSR (Europe and Asia).....	585	2,165	730	2,293	1,163	1,843

SUGAR, CENTRIFUGAL, RAW VALUE: International trade, average 1960-64, annual 1965 and 1966 (continued)

Continent and country	Average 1960-64		1965		1966 1/	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons	1,000 metric tons
Africa:						
Algeria.....	0	228	0	260	0	271
Angola.....	34	0	34	0	27	0
Ethiopia 5/.....	5	2	1	5	2/	20
Ghana.....	0	55	0	61	0	70
Kenya.....	2/	30	2/	80	2/	110
Liberia.....	0	3	0	4	0	4
Libya.....	0	26	0	19	0	47
Malagasy Republic.....	55	2/	35	2/	90	2/
Mauritius.....	500	0	579	0	571	0
Morocco.....	10	345	8	373	5	340
Mozambique.....	114	2/	95	0	115	0
Nigeria.....	0	64	0	105	0	68
Reunion.....	201	0	203	0	221	0
Rhodesia.....	6/ 26	6/ 30	282	2/	65	0
Sierra Leone.....	0	16	0	23	0	25
Somali Republic.....	0	12	0	6	0	0
South Africa, Republic of:	441	13	1/ 375	1/ 98	1/ 528	1/ 6
Sudan.....	0	127	0	199	0	143
Tanzania.....	2/	17	2/	2/	2/	2/
Togo.....	0	5	0	4	0	8
Tunisia.....	0	86	0	64	14	67
Uganda.....	33	2/	19	2/	2/	19
United Arab Republic.....	45	68	15	44	0	140
Other 3/.....	13	247	142	309	30	308
Total Africa.....	1,477	1,374	1,788	1,654	1,666	1,646
Asia:						
Aden.....	23	44	17	64	5	48
Afghanistan.....	0	40	0	28	0	94
Burma.....	0	20	0	41	0	45
Ceylon.....	0	200	0	175	0	333
China, Mainland.....	232	773	427	398	499	620
Taiwan.....	767	0	835	0	852	0
Cyprus.....	0	14	0	17	0	16
Hong Kong.....	39	177	24	172	21	237
India.....	296	0	270	0	443	0
Indonesia.....	59	0	74	0	53	36
Iran.....	8/ 0	8/ 336	8/ 0	8/ 328	0	202
Iraq.....	0	204	0	309	0	251
Israel.....	0	71	0	76	0	75
Japan.....	12	1,427	5	1,725	12	1,739
Jordan.....	0	45	0	75	0	91
Korea, South.....	0	52	0	40	0	86
Lebanon.....	0	39	1	85	1	51
Malaysia and Singapore....	27	273	18	311	34	400
Pakistan.....	0	55	0	26	0	22
Philippines.....	1,065	0	1,084	0	1,003	0
Syria.....	0	70	0	80	0	70
Thailand.....	30	2/	83	2/	50	2/
Turkey (Europe and Asia)..	166	0	89	0	33	0
Vietnam, South.....	0	49	0	71	0	121
Other 3/.....	54	198	54	494	4	260
Total Asia.....	2,770	4,087	2,981	4,515	3,010	4,797
Oceania:						
Australia.....	1,036	0	1,195	0	1,059	0
Fiji.....	231	2/	310	2/	246	2/
New Zealand.....	2/	129	2/	122	2/	144
Other 3/.....	0	16	0	17	0	20
Total Oceania.....	1,267	145	1,505	139	1,305	164
Total world.....	18,114	17,897	19,203	18,301	18,145	19,028
U.S. Offshore Trade.....	2/ 6	1,749	2/ 2	1,789	2/ 2	1,741
Puerto Rico.....	807	2/ 3	753	2/ 2/	646	2/ 2/
Hawaii.....	929	0	1,032	0	1,090	0
Virgin Islands.....	12	2/ 1	4	2/ 1	5	2/ 1
Guam.....	0	2/ 1	0	2/ 1	0	2/ 1
Total.....	1,754	1,754	1,791	1,791	1,743	1,743

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MOLASSES, INDUSTRIAL: Exports of specified countries
averages 1955-59 and 1960-64, annual 1965 and 1966

Continent and country	Average 1955-59	Average 1960-64	1965	1966 1/
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
North America:	<u>gallons</u>	<u>gallons</u>	<u>gallons</u>	<u>gallons</u>
Barbados.....	5,782	7,239	6,147	5,384
Canada.....	2,059	1,300	3,529	801
Cuba 2/.....	192,600	123,721	87,824	97,275
Dominican Republic.....	34,326	51,186	39,699	41,533
Jamaica.....	15,338	22,377	18,460	27,209
Mexico.....	43,755	77,550	104,152	93,552
Trinidad and Tobago.....	7,609	13,058	11,843	1,360
United States.....	18,534	17,959	9,384	20,239
Total.....	320,003	314,390	281,038	287,353
South America:				
Ecuador.....	3,382	4,754	10,591	9,348
Guyana.....	10,722	17,511	14,281	14,808
Peru.....	3,693	13,833	6,741	24,665
Total.....	17,797	36,098	31,613	48,821
Europe:				
Austria.....	3/	676	0	0
Belgium and Luxembourg....	427	869	2,837	3,071
Denmark.....	3,378	2,532	1,905	187
France.....	19,312	19,507	22,398	26,490
Germany, West.....	721	2	11	265
Italy.....	3,343	3,577	1	3
Netherlands.....	3,619	3,376	1,221	194
United Kingdom 4/.....	3,251	2,285	3,684	8,426
Total.....	34,051	32,824	32,057	38,636
Africa:				
Mauritius.....	11,176	16,070	17,254	20,603
Mozambique.....	-	3,360	2/ 9,379	2/ 11,131
South Africa, Republic of	2,184	13,043	6,920	2/ 17,748
Total.....	13,360	32,473	33,553	49,482
Asia:				
Hong Kong.....	741	237	23	12
India 4/.....	4,532	9,713	5,739	16,022
Indonesia.....	24,086	23,042	32,381	46,452
Philippines.....	42,567	59,282	2/ 85,790	2/ 59,088
Thailand.....	1,939	10,245	24,574	22,381
Turkey.....	410	4,410	8,521	7,689
Total.....	74,275	106,929	157,028	151,644
Oceania:				
Australia.....	5/ 935	5/ 8,120	14,321	32,198
Fiji.....	7,122	10,675	12,368	16,189
Total.....	8,057	18,795	26,689	48,387
Total of above.....	467,543	541,508	561,978	624,323

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Compiled from statistics of importing countries. 3/ Less than 500 gallons. 4/ Includes invert sugar. 5/ Crop year beginning July 1 of year indicated.

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MOLASSES, INDUSTRIAL: Imports of specified countries
average 1955-59 and 1960-64, annual 1965 and 1966

Continent and country	Average 1955-59	Average 1960-64	1965	1966 <u>1/</u>
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
North America:	<u>gallons</u>	<u>gallons</u>	<u>gallons</u>	<u>gallons</u>
Canada <u>2/</u>	15,880	24,022	28,160	29,246
United States.....	315,576	302,306	268,016	314,157
Total.....	331,456	326,328	296,176	343,403
Europe:				
Austria.....	929	9	664	2,291
Belgium and Luxembourg..	6,707	17,980	21,791	26,724
Denmark.....	957	945	0	1,474
France.....	94	2,248	8,452	19,829
Germany, West.....	4,192	26,384	21,506	35,044
Greece.....	3,854	1,391	5,976	4,355
Ireland.....	1,013	1,501	5,306	5,033
Italy.....	1,304	1,861	8,918	-
Netherlands.....	10,099	30,617	41,173	44,902
Norway.....	1,526	4,463	6,313	-
Sweden.....	2,242	5,913	7,265	13,111
United Kingdom <u>3/</u>	76,631	81,151	93,807	99,188
Total.....	109,548	174,463	221,171	251,951
Other countries:				
Hong Kong.....	1,174	1,025	250	153
Japan.....	34,473	89,550	140,125	173,274
Total.....	35,647	90,575	140,375	173,427
Total of above.....	476,651	591,366	657,722	768,781

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Includes hi-test molasses. 3/ Includes invert sugar. 4/ Crop year, beginning July 1 of year indicated.

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North American exports of molasses have declined slightly from their 1955-59 and 1960-64 averages, but they still accounted for 46 percent of the total in 1966. The export trend has been rather sharply upward for South America, Africa, Asia, and Oceania.

The United States is by far the largest importer of molasses, accounting for 41 percent of the total in 1966. However, the volume of imports over the past ten years has shown very little fluctuation. Imports into the EEC countries, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and Japan have shown substantial increases. Japan is now the world's second largest importer and in 1966 almost doubled its average imports during the 1960-64 period.

